

City of Reading City Council
Special Meeting
Wednesday, February 1, 2012

Francis Acosta, President of Council, called the meeting to order. He announced that the purpose of this meeting is for the Administration to introduce amendments to the 2012 budget.

ATTENDANCE

Council President Acosta
Councilor Corcoran, District 1
Councilor Goodman-Hinnershitz, District 2
Councilor Sterner, District 3
Councilor Marmarou, District 4
Councilor Reed, District 5
Councilor Waltman, District 6
City Solicitor Younger
City Clerk Kelleher
City Auditor Cituk

PUBLIC COMMENT

Council President Acosta announced that no one was registered to address Council. The Public Comment period was closed.

Introduction of New Ordinances

Ordinance – amending the 2012 Position Ordinance by eliminating the MAIG Coordinator and the Administrative Assistant and adding Special Assistants for Communications, Services and Work Force, and Policy and Sustainability to the Mayor’s Office and eliminating the Billing Coordinator and five (5) Municipal Aides from the Citizens Service Area. (Mayor)

Ordinance – transferring \$57,885 from the Citizens Service Center to the Office of the Mayor and transferring \$57,615 from the Citizens Service Center to the Contingency Fund. (Mayor)

Mayor Spencer stated that these first two (2) amendments are part of a larger effort to address the Act 47 Recovery Plan. He explained that the employees in the Citizens Service area (CSC) will move to the Reading Area Water Authority, who will cover one-half of the salary expense. This will also eliminate the use of the City’s lockbox with Wachovia and save approximately \$150K. He stated that this change will also provide online bill payment to City customers. He stated that this initiative will address Act 47 Recovery items FI10, PI07, and PA04.

Councilor Goodman-Hinnershitz inquired if the ordinances and supporting documentation submitted tonight are complete. She also requested that any other supporting documentation be distributed to Council by Friday, so Council will have time to review the information prior to the Budget meeting scheduled for Monday evening.

Councilor Marmarou moved, seconded by Councilor Reed, to adjourn the Special Meeting

Respectfully submitted by Linda A. Kelleher CMC, City Clerk